

## Toward a better scoring scheme for protein-protein docking prediction

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Protein-protein interactions (PPI) play a crucial role in many biological processes such as cell signalling, transcription, translation, replication, signal transduction, and drug targeting, etc. Structural information about protein-protein interaction is essential for understanding the molecular mechanisms of these processes. Structures of protein-protein complexes are still difficult to obtain by biophysical methods such as NMR and X-ray crystallography, and therefore protein-protein docking computation is considered an important approach for understanding protein-protein interactions. However, reliable prediction of the protein-protein complexes is still under way. In the past decades, several grid-based docking algorithms based on the Katchalski-Katzir scoring scheme were developed, e.g., FTDock, ZDOCK, HADDOCK, RosettaDock, HEX, etc. However, the success rate of protein-protein docking prediction is still far from ideal.

In this work, we first propose a more practical measure for evaluating the success of protein-protein docking predictions, the rate of first success (RFS), which is similar to the concept of mean first passage time (MFPT). Accordingly, we have assessed the ZDOCK bound and unbound benchmarks 2.0 and 3.0. We also created a new benchmark set for protein-protein docking predictions, in which the complexes have experimentally determined binding affinity data. We performed free energy calculation based on the solution of non-linear Poisson-Boltzmann equation (nIPBE) to improve the binding mode prediction. We used the well-studied the barnase-barstar system to validate the parameters for free energy calculations. Besides, the nIPBE-based free energy calculations were conducted for the badly predicted cases by ZDOCK and ZRANK. We found that direct molecular mechanics energetics cannot be used to discriminate the native binding pose from the decoys. Our results indicate that nIPBE-based calculations appeared to be one of the promising approaches for improving the success rate of binding pose predictions.

## The Computational Pharmaceutical Analysis Study of *Rehmanniae Radix et Rhizma* Extrato treat Alzheimer's Disease

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Alzheimer's disease is also called dementia generally. At present still unable to effectively deter or cure this disease, only through the dosage for disease control. Its main characteristics are significant memory loss and gradual deterioration. Now known that the brain of patients with memory loss and their secretion of acetylcholine are closely related to the decrease of nerve cells.

According to the related study, it is shown that Ba Wei Di Huang Wan (contains Shu Di Huang) will increase the activity of acetylcholine synthesis to increase acetylcholine. But most acetylcholine synthesis inhibitor products are chemical synthesis. In this study, we tried to use extracts from Shu Di Huang as drug compound to investigate the inhibitory ability of Shu Di Huang for acetylcholine synthesis. Discovery studio experimental program will mainly use acetylcholine Shu di Huang molecular structure of the enzyme and the binding between the simulation and analysis using Docking program to evaluate its drug activity.

Component of the preliminary test results Shu di Huang catalyze the assessment of drug activity to obtain a good score. But it is not as expected whether the composition of Shu Di Huang can pass BBB or not. In the future, we will make more progress in this part of research.